



Born and raised in Hong Kong, [Zoe Lei](#) is a Toronto-based organist and pianist. She is an emerging organist and an advocate of new organ music. She frequently plays twentieth and twenty-first-century repertoires. Furthermore, she has worked as a church organist at Toronto Bloor Street United Church and Toronto Chinese Baptist Church. Recently, she was awarded scholarships and a recognition award by Cleveland Institute of Music (USA), but decided to stay in Canada to gain more work experience. She is a member of the UofT New Music ensemble and collaborates with different instrumentalists and composers regularly. Her performance highlights are performing at the Oregon Bach Festival (USA) in 2018 and Tafelmusik Summer Institute (Canada) in 2019.

Zoe completed her master's degree in organ performance at the University of Toronto in June 2019, under the tutelage of Professor Kevin Komisaruk after having studied with the renowned Hong Kong organist, Kin Yu Wong. She completed her undergraduate studies in organ and music education at Hong Kong Baptist University in June 2017. She has also received coaching from Dr. Paul Jacobs, Head of Organ Department, The Juilliard School. In addition to organ playing, Zoe has achieved LTCL in piano performance with high distinction and won many piano competitions in Hong Kong. She was accepted to the program of Master of Music in piano performance at the Royal Northern College of Music (UK) with scholarships in 2016, but she decided to go to Toronto for her master's studies in organ performance.

Besides performing, Zoe is a pedagogue in both instruments, piano, and organ. She is very passionate about teaching and took many pedagogy classes and practicum during her undergraduate and master's studies. She believes that every child is born with musical talent and aims to offer quality music education to her student while developing a love for music. She places the highest priority on the teacher-student relationship and enjoys listening to her students' playing a lot. Apart from performing and teaching, her favourite pastime activities are writing calligraphy and playing badminton. For more information, please visit zoelei.com.

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